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Committee: Education

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to teachers; to provide for a salary study; and
- 2 to declare an emergency.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. The Teacher Salary Task Force is created.
2 The task force shall consist of the members appointed pursuant to
3 section 2 of this act and shall study the need to enhance teacher
4 salaries in Nebraska. The task force shall report its findings and
5 recommendations to the Clerk of the Legislature and the Education
6 Committee of the Legislature on or before October 1, 2000.

7 Sec. 2. Members of the Teacher Salary Task Force shall
8 be appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council on
9 or before April 15, 2000, and shall include:

10 (1) The chairperson of the Education Committee of the
11 Legislature;

12 (2) The chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of
13 the Legislature;

14 (3) The chairperson of the Revenue Committee of the
15 Legislature;

16 (4) A representative of a teachers' organization;

17 (5) A representative of an association of school boards;

18 (6) A representative of an association of school
19 administrators;

20 (7) A teacher from a school district which is in the very
21 sparse cost grouping pursuant to section 79-1007.02;

22 (8) A teacher from a school district which is in the
23 sparse cost grouping pursuant to such section;

24 (9) A teacher from a school district with fewer than nine
25 hundred students in the standard cost grouping pursuant to such
26 section;

27 (10) A teacher from a school district with nine hundred
28 or more students in the standard cost grouping pursuant to such

1 section;

2 (11) A representative of the business community who has a
3 background in human resources;

4 (12) A representative of the health insurance industry;

5 (13) A representative from a community organization aimed
6 at assisting schools in meeting the national education goals
7 established under the federal Goals 2000: Educate America Act, 20
8 U.S.C. 5801 et seq.; and

9 (14) A representative of a Nebraska tax policy research
10 organization.

11 Members of the task force shall be reimbursed for their
12 actual and necessary expenses incurred in carrying out their duties
13 as members of the task force. The Education Committee of the
14 Legislature and the Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall provide
15 research and administrative support for the task force.

16 Sec. 3. The Education Committee of the Legislature shall
17 hold at least one public hearing in each congressional district in
18 Nebraska on the recommendations of the Teacher Salary Task Force
19 before December 31, 2000.

20 Sec. 4. The Teacher Salary Task Force terminates on
21 October 1, 2000, upon presentation of its report as provided in
22 section 1 of this act.

23 Sec. 5. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
24 when passed and approved according to law.